# DIFFERENCES BETWEEN STROKE AND STEMI CENTER LEVELS For Discussion 4/7/09

	Level and Criteria	STEMI	Stroke
Le	vel I Center		
	Emergency Department (ED)  Intensive Care Unit	<ul> <li>May be by-passed to go directly to cardiac catheterization lab</li> <li>24/7 in-house (IH)ED physician</li> <li>With Cardiology expertise and support for further advanced</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>May be by-passed to go directly to IR</li> <li>24/7 in-house (IH)ED physician</li> <li>With stroke/neurology expertise and support for</li> </ul>
3.	Specialized Care	<ul><li>treatment</li><li>Equipment</li><li>L-VAD with advance support</li></ul>	<ul><li>further advance treatment</li><li>Equipment</li><li>24/7 Neurointerventional</li></ul>
		<ul> <li>24/7 Cardiac Artery Bypass Graft promptly available</li> <li>24/7 Cardiac catheterization lab, angiography and interventional capabilities from time of notification</li> <li>Available consultation services for region</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>capability/angiography/IR (PA)</li> <li>24/7 NS6/vascular surgery coverage (PA)</li> <li>24/7 Diagnostic Radiology (CT/MRI)</li> <li>Available consultations services for region</li> </ul>
4.	Surgery	Cardiac surgery back up 24/7	<ul> <li>Neurosurgery; vascular surgery; endovascular experts</li> </ul>
5.	Inpatient beds	Х	X
6.	Rehabilitation-available on campus with protocol for how managed	X	х
7.	Higher volumes of care	400 Elective PCI/year	
		>49 Primary PCIs	
8.	Performance Expectations- Time parameters for delivery of time critical procedures	Х	х
9.	<b>Personnel-</b> Advanced training and certifications to support specialized services	Х	X
	Helipad	Х	X
	<b>Equipment</b> - Appropriate for advanced level of care	Х	Х
12.	Policy		
•	Accept all stroke and STEMI transfers	Х	Х
•	One call access to activate transfer	Х	Х
•	One-call access for activation of specialized services	Х	Х
•	Make arrangements for repatriation to community hospital, if indicated	Х	Х

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IH-in house, IA-Immediately available (within 20 min. notification of TCD patient), PA-Promptly available (within 30 minutes) 3/23/09

#### **Differences between Levels of STEMI and Stroke Centers**

	Level and Criteria	STEMI	Stroke
Le	vel II Center		
1.	Emergency Department	May be by-passed to go directly to cardiac catheterization lab 24/7 in-house (IH)ED physician	May be by-passed to go directly to IR 24/7 in-house (IH)ED physician
2.	Intensive Care Unit	X	X
3.	Specialized Care	24/7 Cardiac catheterization lab, angiography and interventional capabilities, PA	24/7 neuro IR/angio (PA) 24/7 Diagnostic Radiology (CT/MRI)
4.	Inpatient beds	X	X
5.	<b>Rehabilitation-</b> available on campus with protocol for how managed	X	x
6.	Volumes of care	At least 200 Elective PCI/year	
		>36 Primary PCIs	
7.	Performance Expectations- Time parameters for delivery of time critical procedures	X	X
8.	Personnel- Advanced training and certifications to support specialized services	Х	х
9.	Helipad	Х	x
10.	Equipment- Appropriate for advanced level of care	Х	х
11.	Policy		
•	Accept all stroke and STEMI transfers	X	X
•	One call access to activate transfer	X	x
•	One-call access for activation of specialized services	X	X
•	Make arrangements for repatriation to community hospital, if indicated	X	X

## <u>Differences from Level I</u>

- No surgery back-up requirement
- Fewer specialized care requirements
- Lower PCI volumes
- No research requirement

#### **Differences between Levels of STEMI and Stroke Centers**

Level and Criteria		STEMI	Stroke
Le	vel III Center		
1.	<b>Emergency Department</b>	24/7 in-house (IH)physician	24/7 in-house (IH)physician
2.	Intensive Care Unit	X	
3.	Specialized Care	<ul> <li>Administer lytics and stabilize</li> <li>Transfer patients not improving within 30 minutes of lytics. May keep those patients that are improving.</li> </ul>	Drip and ship
4.	Inpatient beds	X	Х
5.	Performance Expectations- Time parameters for delivery of time critical procedures	X	X
6.	Personnel- training and certifications to support specialized services	х	Х
7.	Helipad	X	Х
8.	<b>Equipment</b> - Appropriate for level of care	Х	Х
9.	Policy		
•	One call access to activate transfer	Х	Х
•	Accept all stroke and STEMI transfers	Х	Х
•	One call access to activate transfer	X	Х
•	Make arrangements for repatriation to community hospital, if indicated	х	

## <u>Differences from Level II</u>

- Generally patient has entry through ER
- Administer lytics and stabilize for STEMI patients with potential to keep; transfer where warranted, not source for primary PCI on emergency basis

#### **Differences between Levels of STEMI and Stroke Centers**

Level and Criteria		STEMI	Stroke
Le	vel IV Center		
1.	Emergency Department	24/7 , IA physician	24/7, IA physician
2.	Specialized Care	<ul><li>Stabilize life-threatening conditions when in proximity</li><li>Drip and ship</li></ul>	<ul><li>Stabilize life-threatening conditions when in proximity</li><li>Triage and transfer</li></ul>
3.	<b>Personnel</b> - training and certifications to support services	Х	Х
4.	<b>Equipment</b> - Appropriate for level of care	Х	Х
5.	Helicopter landing site	Х	Х
6.	<b>Performance Expectations</b> - Time parameters for delivery of time critical procedures	X	Х
7.	<ul><li>Policy</li><li>One call access to activate transfer</li></ul>	Х	X

## <u>Difference from Level III</u>

• Services to support patient stabilization and rapid transfer to a higher level center.